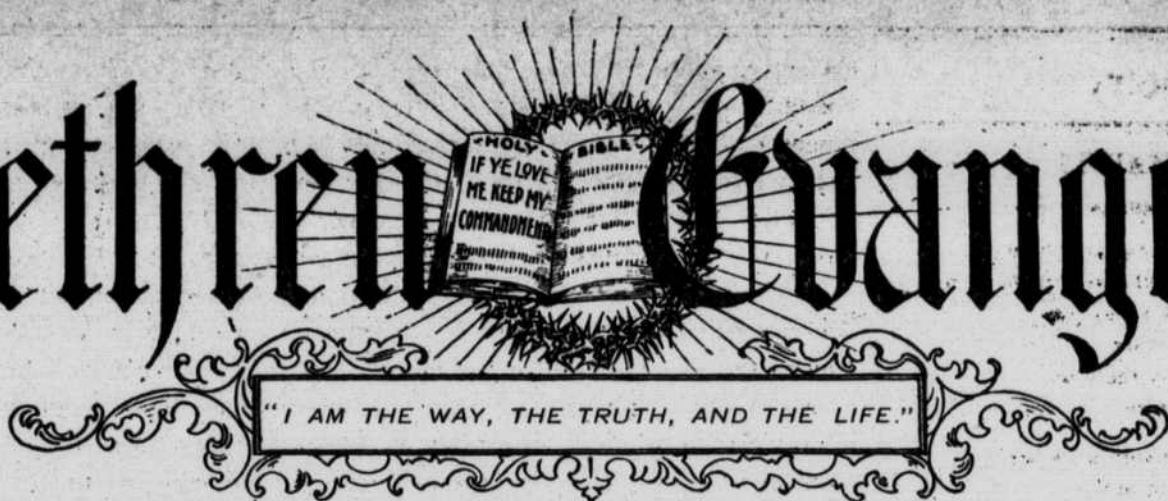


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HAVE you renewed your subscription to the EVANGELIST?

WE are pleased to note the progress of the S. S. C. E. Our sisters are doing a great work, but it is only a beginning of what they will do. We ought to have a letter each week from the President.

THIS paper will be sent to every minister in the Brethren church. Kindly see whether or not the EVANGELIST is now coming regularly to subscribers. In transferring the names from the old to the new book, errors may have occurred.

WORK is moving along nicely all along the line. Successful revival meetings are being reported in almost every mail. King's Children and S. S. C. E. organizations are reported from all over the brotherhood. The outlook is truly encouraging.

WHEN the name of a new convert is placed upon the church record, it should mean more than simply an increase in numbers. Unless every number added means more *strength*, spiritual strength, it avails little that his name has been added to the roll. The church should be stronger *spiritually* as well as *numerically* for every additional member. It should be able to do so much more work and prove a greater moral force in the community.

It happens quite frequently that two communications are sent in from the same church, giving reports of one and the same meeting. So far as facts are concerned these letters are alike, and of course only one of them is published. The other correspondent wants to know why *his* letter is not published. This item explains itself.

THE department, *Book and Tract Work*, contains a full page article this week which Brother McFaden does not claim as his own. The article was sent in manuscript form, with a note from Brother McFaden, giving explanation, etc., but in some way the note was lost, and we cannot give the author's name. No matter, the article is full of truth that will no doubt "hurt" somebody. The brother is responsible for all the harm it will do—and for the good also.

WE trust we shall not be considered as partial if we point out and commend the plan or method of work adopted by Bro. Koontz, of Conemaugh, Pa. In his own charge he reports *sixty-six* additions within the last few months, and that at two appointments not over three miles apart. Brother Koontz works quietly; he does not say very much, *but he does a power of work*. He is one of the very few who gives the *weather* credit for being in his favor. It is this quiet, substantial work that *counts* and *lasts*.

OUR QUESTION DRAWER, we are sure, will prove an interesting and valuable feature of the EVANGELIST. In last week's issue brother J. Allen Miller gave his exposition of a Scripture which has no doubt puzzled many students of the Word. If there is a passage of Scripture which you would like to have explained, please send in your inquiry, and we will give you the very best information possible. You need not confine yourself to the Bible. Any proper question will be answered in this column, that is, if the querist really seeks information.

It is gratifying to note the progress of the *King's Children society* everywhere. Under the leadership of brother J. O. Talley, the young people of the church are being organized for good, practical and successful work. There is a great work for them to do, and it is only by thorough organization of their forces that it can be accomplished.

ARE you a subscriber to *King's Children*? You should read this paper regularly. It keeps you in touch with the workings of other societies, and in other ways proves a great help in the prosecution of your work. If you have an organized society be sure to subscribe for the paper. If not, organize a K. C., and send in your order for the paper at once.

DO NOT try to do a great thing; you may waste all your life waiting for the opportunity which may never come. But since little things are always claiming your attention, do them as they come, from a great motive, for the glory of God, to win His smile of approval, and to do good to men. It is harder to plod on in obscurity, acting thus, than to stand on the high places of the field, within the view of all, and to do deeds of valor at which rival armies stand still to gaze. But no such act goes without the swift recognition and the ultimate recompense of Christ. To fulfill faithfully the duties of your station; to use to the uttermost the gifts of your ministry; to bear chafing annoyances and trivial irritations as martyrs bore the pillory and stake; to find the one noble trait in people who try to molest you; to put the kindest construction on unkind acts and words; to love with the love of God even the unthankful and evil; to be content to be a fountain in the midst of a wild valley of stones, nourishing a few lichens and wild flowers, or now and again a thirsty sheep; and to this always, and not for the praise of man, but for the sake of God—this makes a great life.—F. B. Meyer.